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My dear Mr. Clark

I have been much interested in looking over the copy of the Leader which you have sent me.

Noticing the strange & beautiful scenery of your island, quite fills me with the thirst for exploration & a longing for more Wanderjahre to see these as well as the other yet unseen beauties of the world.

The Eastern hemisphere is to-day unusually conspicuous

Through the Japans -  
Chinese hubbub.

Probably its results may  
be permanently felt  
over all the Pacific  
in ways which we can  
hardly yet predict.

We have experienced  
a political overturning here,  
which is like enough to  
be followed by more  
over the coming years  
as the spirit of party  
alliance ~~and~~ weakens &  
the distrust of party  
leaders grows stronger.

Thanking you for your  
remembrance, believe me  
with best wishes for antipodal  
prosperity

Yours very truly  
Samuel R. Wood